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"Children discovered in Tallahassee were eventually turned over to individuals claiming to be parents or guardians. No further MPD, FBI or Customs involvement."

"As far as is known, no details of CIA or FCIA involvement ever became public."

♦ The MPD file did not contain documentation corroborating the chronology of events listed in the document captioned "Finders/Chronology (see previous material for dates)."

♦ It is noted that a review of the MPD file, the WMFO FBI file, and FBIHQ file on the "Finders" determined that these files were not classified as alleged by USCS SA [redacted] b6 b7C

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OF INTEREST WERE REFERENCES TO CIA OFFICE OF LOGISTICS CONTRACTS FOR TRAINING CLASSES ON PC SKILLS AND MICROSOFT WORD PROCESSING TRAINING, WITH A FIRM NAMED FUTURE ENTERPRISES, INC. THESE CONTRACTS APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN MADE BETWEEN APRIL, 1986 AND OCTOBER, 1993. NO ADDRESS OR OTHER IDENTIFYING INFORMATION CONCERNING FUTURE ENTERPRISES WAS CONTAINED ON THE PRINTOUT.

OF ADDITIONAL INTEREST WAS A SECRET CIA MEMO FOR RECORD, DATED 2/18/87, WRITTEN BY [redacted], SPECIAL ACTIVITIES DIVISION, DOCUMENTING HIS 2/18/87 TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH MPD DETECTIVE [redacted] THIS MEMO IS AT VARIANCE WITH THE MPD 2/19/87 PD 854 DOCUMENTING THE SAME CONVERSATION. b3 b6 per FBI b7C

WMFO REQUESTED THE CIA OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL PROVIDE SPECIFICS CONCERNING THEIR CONTRACTS WITH FUTURE ENTERPRISES, INC., TO INCLUDE THE BUSINESS ADDRESS OF THE FIRM. WMFO WAS ADVISED THAT THIS INFORMATION WOULD BE REQUESTED AND PROVIDED FOR WMFO'S REVIEW AT ~~THE~~ A LATER DATE. ADDITIONALLY, WMFO REQUESTED THE CIA PROVIDE A PHOTOCOPY OF THE CLASSIFIED 2/18/87 [redacted] MEMO, ~~PROVIDED TO THE FBI, AND~~ IF POSSIBLE IN A DECLASSIFIED FORM. b3

CIA OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD REQUEST SUCH, AND ADVISE WMFO ACCORDINGLY.

WMFO'S FD-302 REFLECTING SPECIFICS OF THE CIA RECORDS REVIEW TO FOLLOW UNDER SEPARATE COVER.

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"FINDERS GROUP";
WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC ACT-SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE -PRELIMINARY INQUIRY;
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The following is a synopsis of investigation conducted to date:

♦ By memorandum dated 10/26/93, from Acting Assistant Attorney General John C. Keeney, Criminal Division, Department of Justice (DOJ), to Assistant Director Larry A. Potts, the DOJ requested that the FBI conduct a preliminary inquiry into allegations made by [redacted] concerning child sexual abuse by a group known as the "Finders," and what role, if any, was played by the United States Intelligence Community.

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♦ [redacted] alleged that the Finders are involved in a well organized child abuse scheme, and that the CIA, in conjunction with the State Department, and the FBI'S Foreign Counterintelligence Division, conspired to cover up those abuses.

♦ [redacted] allegations appear to be based on memos prepared by U. S. Customs Service (USCS) Special Agent (SA) [redacted] In a USCS memo dated 2/7/87, SA [redacted] described his participation with the Washington Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) in the execution of search warrants on two Finders properties. In this memo, SA [redacted] alleged seeing [redacted]

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♦ By USCS memo dated 4/13/87, SA [redacted] alleged that on 4/2/87, an individual (not identified) at the MPD told him that "...the investigation of the Finders had become a CIA internal matter. The MPD report has been classified Secret and was not available for review...that the FBI had withdrawn from the investigation...that the FBI Foreign Counter Intelligence Division had directed MPD not to advise the FBI Washington Field Office of anything that had transpired..."

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♦ [redacted]

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♦ Investigation to date has not found corroboration of [redacted] allegations. Interviews conducted to date, and the review of the Washington Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) files, the Tallahassee Police Department (TPD) files, the WMFO FBI files, and FBIHQ files found no documentation indicating that any agency interfered with or covered up the Finders investigation. b6 b7C

♦ No specific information of misconduct by any FBI employee has been developed to date during the ongoing preliminary inquiry in captioned matter.

♦ Liaison has been established with the MPD in an effort to determine the description and disposition of evidence seized during the searches of two Finders properties by the MPD on 2/5-6/87, and a communication has been prepared from FBIHQ to the CIA and the Department of State requesting that they identify references in their files concerning "Finders" for subsequent review.

♦ The review of CIA records is not yet complete, and is awaiting further documents from the CIA.

♦ Based on the results of Department of State (DOS) indices checks, a review of passport records was conducted with negative results at the DOS Passport Office.

♦ An FBIHQ indices search determined that FBI Jacksonville and FBI WMFO had conducted investigation resulting from an arrest of two individuals associated with the "Finders" in Tallahassee, Florida in 1987. On [redacted] were arrested by the Tallahassee Police Department (TPD) on misdemeanor child abuse charges resulting from a complaint that six children playing in a park were unkept and neglected. [redacted] the two subjects with the children, could not initially provide sufficient information as to their legal custody of the children and were uncooperative regarding their identity and the children's identity. As a result of information developed during these arrests, the TPD contacted the Washington Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), Washington, D.C., and provided information concerning [redacted] and their association with a group known as "Finders," based in Washington, D.C. On 2/5/87 and 2/6/87, the MPD executed search warrants, prepared by the United States Attorney's Office, District of Columbia, Washington, D.C., on two properties owned by the "Finders" in Washington, D.C. FBI SA [redacted] WMFO case Agent, and USCS SA [redacted] participated in these searches. b6 b7C

♦ During 1987, investigation conducted by the MPD and WMFO, lead to the identification and interview of the mothers of the six children, two of the fathers, and several other key members of the "Finders" group. On 2/18/87, WMFO presented the results of their investigation to Assistant United States

Attorney [redacted] United States Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia, Washington, D.C., who declined prosection for violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 1201 (kidnaping) and 2251 (sexual exploitation of children). b6 per FBI b7C

♦ In [redacted] the TPD and the State of Florida dropped all charges against [redacted] due to lack of evidence.

♦ A review of FBIHQ file (63-HQ-0-81116) revealed a memorandum from the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) dated 2/27/87 to the Director, FBI, which indicated that Detective [redacted] of the Washington Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) had contacted their Office of Security on 2/18/87 as a matter of routine follow-up concerning the MPD Finders investigation. b6 per FBI b7C

The CIA memo indicated that "...on 2/18/87, Detective [redacted] Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D.C., Intelligence Division, [redacted] contacted the Office of Security as a matter of routine follow-up in the much publicized 'Finder's Organization' investigation. Detective [redacted] advised that [redacted] frequently traveled overseas and had several passports. As a courtesy Detective [redacted] wished to determine any association with the Agency by [redacted] or the Finder's Organization. Apparently numerous businesses have surfaced and materials relevant to these businesses are in the police departments' possession. One company Detective [redacted] mentioned is Future Enterprises, Inc. Detective [redacted] invited a representative of the Agency to review these materials, but the Agency declined considering this more in your Bureau's purview."

"Detective [redacted] also advised that a [redacted] a [redacted] Detective [redacted] was requested to refer this information to your Bureau." b6 per FBI b7C

"Search of Agency indices revealed the following:

a. [redacted] was never an employee of this Agency, nor was the organization Finder's associated with the Agency. [redacted] Isabelle was an Agency employee from 1952-1961 and voluntarily resigned. According to Detective [redacted] Isabelle Pettie is deceased. b6 per FBI b7C

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INTERVIEWS:

1. On 10/28/93, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Arlington, Virginia, advised that during 1987 he had been a Detective with the MPD, and that he had participated in the 1987 execution of search warrants on a warehouse which belonged to the FINDERS. During the execution of the search warrants, he had been assigned a technical job to secure the FINDERS computers. The searches had taken place during the daytime, and he was at the warehouse approximately two hours. He did not see any evidence of criminal activity, and he did not conduct any analysis of the items that were seized by the MPD. He does not know if any evidence of criminal activity was discovered during the searches of the FINDERS property. advised that once the MPD searches had been finished, he had no further involvement in the FINDERS investigation. advised that

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2. WMFO SA was interviewed on 11/5/93, concerning her knowledge of the "FINDERS investigation. She stated that she had been the case Agent on a kidnapping matter in February 1987 that involved investigation of a group named "FINDERS."

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SA advised that she was present during the execution of an MPD search warrant at the warehouse owned by the FINDERS.

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during the conduct of this investigation, she was not aware of any involvement by the CIA, the DOS, or any other intelligence organization or entity. SA [redacted] stated that at no time did any individual or agency intervene or attempt to influence the outcome of her investigation.

A review of the WMFO case file revealed a memo from SA [redacted] dated 3/9/87 which documented that "...on 2/19/87, [redacted] National Center for Missing and Exploited Children...provided the writer with the attached memorandum. [redacted] related she had received the memorandum from [redacted] Customs, Washington, D.C..." SA [redacted] had reviewed SA [redacted]

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3. On 11/5/93, MPD Detective [redacted] was interviewed concerning his knowledge of the "FINDERS" investigation. Detective [redacted] advised that in February 1987 he was assigned to the MPD's Intelligence Division, and in that position, he investigated a group that was later identified as the "FINDERS." Detective [redacted] advised that based on information that he had received from the TPD and from an informant, the MPD obtained and executed search warrants on two "FINDERS" addresses in Washington, D.C. He had been present at the actual execution of both search warrants. [redacted] advised [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that he believed that "...the FINDERS Group had some connection with the CIA...that the FINDERS could [redacted] (S)

[redacted] Detective [redacted] advised that MPD Sergeant John Stitcher (deceased) had contacted the CIA concerning the FINDERS and had obtained this information. [redacted] advised that the CIA had nothing to do with the children or his investigation into the alleged child abuse. [redacted] stated that he was never instructed by anyone from the CIA, the FBI, the State Department, or any other organization to end the FINDERS investigation, and that his investigation ran its normal course without interference. b1 b3 b6 per FBI b7C

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4. On 11/8/93, [redacted] National Center for the Analysis of Violent Crime, Quantico, Virginia, was interviewed. [redacted] advised that in February 1987, he was employed as an MPD Detective with the MPD's Homicide Squad, and in that capacity, he had worked on the 1987 investigation of the FINDERS Group. He had been brought into the investigation as a homicide investigator after MPD received reports that child abuse and possible murder had occurred at the Washington, D.C. property belonging to the FINDERS. [redacted] advised "...that the FINDERS case was blown way out of proportion at the time due to excessive media and press coverage. He [redacted] b3 per FBI b6 b7C

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[redacted] indicated that in the 1987 time frame, the MPD Intelligence Division had a working relationship with the CIA where they could make direct telephonic inquiries concerning ongoing investigations. He advised that during the course of the FINDERS investigation, someone in the MPD Intelligence Division contacted the CIA inquiring as to the FINDERS group. [redacted] related that he was told that one of the FINDERS group members [redacted] (S) (S) indicated that "...this information did not influence the outcome of the investigation at all..."

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5. On 11/12/93, WMFO interviewed USCS SA [redacted] who provided information concerning the USCS 1993 response to [redacted] on USCS's child exploitation investigations. He had interviewed USCS SA [redacted] on 9/3/93 and 9/16/93 during which time [redacted] had [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that he had reviewed USCS files and interviewed USCS Agents and Supervisors concerning the FINDERS investigation. [redacted] related that the Customs file on the FINDERS case in 1987 consisted of only one report, that of SA [redacted] that he could find no evidence of any Customs violation of any kind located within the file.

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[redacted] related that his "...review of USCS files located no references to the CIA, or any other intelligence organization having been involved or making inquiries concerning the FINDERS investigation..." He advised that his review of the MPD files on the FINDERS did reveal two references to the CIA, one in a report written by a Sergeant Stitcher, and the other in a report written by Detective [redacted]

6. On 11/15/93, [redacted] was interviewed by Special Agents of the Miami Division. [redacted] advised that [redacted]

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7. On 11/16/93, SAs from the Jacksonville Division interviewed TPD Chief of Police Melvin Tucker at Tallahassee, Florida, and obtained a copy of the complete TPD case file concerning the FINDERS. Chief Tucker advised that "...there was never any outside agency either in or outside the United States intelligence community who contacted anyone in his department with an attempt to influence in any way their investigation of the FINDERS GROUP. All the evidence in the case that was obtained was either returned to its owners or otherwise destroyed..."

Chief Tucker advised that he has been recently contacted by a number of individuals concerning the FINDERS case. He had been contacted both telephonically and in writing by Congressman Charlie Rose and [redacted] CBS News/48 Hours. Both Rose and [redacted] requested that Chief Tucker provide them "...all reports in your possession concerning the organization known as the Finders..." Chief Tucker advised that he had also been contacted by [redacted] The Washington Times concerning the FINDERS case.

[redacted] did not contain any evidence or indication that the TPD investigation had been impeded or influenced in any way by any agency. b3 b6 b7C

8. On 12/22/93, MPD Detective [redacted] was interviewed. He stated that he was present during the search of

the "Finders" residence in 1987. [redacted] stated that [redacted]

9. On 1/3/94, USCS SA (retired) [redacted] was interviewed at El Centro, California. [redacted] stated that during 1987, he had participated in the MPD searches of two Finders properties in Washington, D.C. USCS SA [redacted] had asked him to participate in the searches as an observer because of his expertise in computers. [redacted] stated that he did not remember [redacted] stated that the searches were executed professionally by MPD personnel which included photographers, note takers, and evidence collectors. [redacted] stated that he did not get the impression that MPD officers were concealing anything. b3 b6 b7C

10. On 12/28/93, USCS Attache [redacted] U.S. Embassy, the Hague, was interviewed. [redacted] stated that he vaguely remembered the case involving the "Finders Group," but given the time lapse, he was unclear on any specific details. He stated that he did not recall any allegations of CIA or FBI involvement in any coverup of the investigation. (USCS SA [redacted] had indicated that [redacted] during the Finders investigation had been [redacted]) b6 b7C

11. On 12/20/93, United States Customs Service (USCS) Special Agent (SA) [redacted] advised that in 1987 he had participated in the execution of a Washington Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) search warrant at two "Finders" properties (a house and a warehouse) located in Washington, D.C., and during the search, he had seen documents which he believed indicated [redacted] b3 b6 b7C

After the search was concluded, SA [redacted] attempted several times to meet with the MPD to review documents and evidence which had been seized, and he was never granted access to review the evidence.

After being denied access to review the MPD evidence on a number of occasions, SA [redacted] confronted MPD Sergeant (Sgt.) John Stitcher (deceased) who told him that the [redacted] [redacted] b6 b7C

SA [redacted] stated that he did not believe that anyone in the FBI had seen the documents in question. He believes that [redacted]

12. On 1/26/94, [redacted] Office of Enforcement, USCS, West Palm Beach, Florida, was interviewed and advised that [redacted] USCS Headquarters, Washington, D.C. This unit [redacted] 1987, he became aware of the "FINDERS GROUP" through information received from the Reston office concerning searches that had been conducted by the MPD. He recalled at the time being asked by his [redacted] unit had learned of the FINDERS and whether anything was in hard copy. When [redacted] told him that nothing had been written as yet on the group, [redacted] told him to keep it that way. It was [redacted] understanding that the Reston office where [redacted] was assigned was conducting whatever investigation was necessary and passing the information directly to [redacted] who in turn would pass it on directly to USCS Headquarters, Washington, D.C. During this period of time and subsequent to it, [redacted] stated that he had verbal contact with [redacted]

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13. On 1/27/94, [redacted] USCS Attache's Office, U.S. Embassy, the Hague, was interviewed concerning his recollection of the Finders Group. He stated that he had [redacted] that at that time, many of his agents were working pornography cases which had a weak smuggling predicate, the latter which was needed to qualify as falling within USCS jurisdiction.

[redacted] recalled that on one occasion [redacted] had [redacted] On the off chance that there might be the possibility that a smuggling element might be uncovered, [redacted] to accompany the Detectives. On his return, [redacted] instructed him to drop the case and go onto more productive work. [redacted] recalls no dissatisfaction at the ending of this matter by [redacted] and has not heard of the matter since.

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14. On 2/9/94, [redacted] retired MPD officer, was interviewed and advised that in February 1987, while he was assigned to the MPD Intelligence Division, he had assisted Detective [redacted] was working a case that developed as a result of some arrests in Tallahassee, Florida. [redacted] obtained two search warrants, and he had been in the group that executed the search warrant on a warehouse in the market area of northeast Washington, D.C. Numerous computers and a large number of documents were contained in this warehouse, and [redacted] recalls that most of the computers and several of the documents were seized. At the conclusion of the search, the seized items were transported to the MPD Intelligence Office, Room 5063, 300 Indiana Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. for detailed review. The items were kept in this office for several days while being reviewed. [redacted] stated that his review of the items (including documents and material from the computers) revealed nothing relating to any criminal activity. [redacted]

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[redacted] related that to the best of his knowledge, all seized items were returned to their owners. He related that he recalled someone representing the group meeting with an MPD official shortly after the search to arrange for the return of the property. [redacted] indicated that the case ended for MPD and was closed when no evidence of any wrongdoing or criminal activity came to light. b6 per FBI b7C

[redacted] stated that he did not recall any allegations of involvement by the CIA during any aspect of this case. He knew of no attempts by anyone from any group, to include the CIA, FBI or State Department, to interfere or influence the outcome of this investigation.

15. On 2/10/94, Deputy Chief [redacted] MPD Property Division, advised that his office was unable to locate any records relating to evidence obtained by MPD concerning the investigation of the Finders group.

REVIEW OF CIA FILES

On 4/29/94, [redacted] paralegal, Office of General Counsel, CIA, Washington, D.C., advised that she was in the process of obtaining additional documents requested by WMFO SA [redacted]. b3 b6 per FBI b7C

By letter dated 12/22/93, FBIHQ requested that the CIA search all records of that agency concerning a number of individuals and/or entities allegedly associated with the Finders. On 3/24/94, available CIA documents were reviewed at the Office of General Counsel, CIA, Washington, D.C.

A file jacket containing the results of CIA name traces conducted as a result of a request from FBIHQ contained a CIA internal memo dated 12/23/93 from [redacted] Office of General Counsel to DCI regarding recent media articles alleging CIA involvement/interference in the 1987 Finders Group investigation. Attached to this memo were copies of news articles on the Finders to include a 12/27/93 U.S. News and World Report, and Washington times articles dated 12/18/93 and 12/27/93. Also attached was a photocopy of MPD Sergeant Stitcher's report dated 12/19/87, and a CIA Secret memo to FBIHQ dated 12/27/87, [redacted] (S) requesting the FBI advised CIA should this group have any known association with the Finders Group. b1 b3 b6 per FBI b7C

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[redacted] No other information concerning the company (S) was listed. b1 b3

The CIA Office of General Counsel and the Director of Central Intelligence records checks were negative. The CIA Director of Operations response confirmed that Isabelle Pettie was a former employee.

The CIA's Office of Security had conducted a records check and reported those results to CIA Headquarters as follows:

(1) Isabelle M. Pettie had been employed by the CIA as a clerk stenographer from 1952 until 1961 at which time she had resigned.

(2) The CIA had located a file containing [redacted] (Isabelle Pettie [redacted] b6 per FBI b7C

(3) [redacted] (S) b1 b3 b6 per FBI b7C (S)

On 3/24/94, the CIA was requested to obtain all specific information in their records concerning the CIA [redacted] On 4/29/94, CIA representatives provided WMFO with some of the additional information requested and stated that they are continuing to obtain the rest of the information requested. b7E

REVIEW OF SEARCH WARRANT RETURNS:

To date, the MPD has not been able to locate any documentation which describes the evidence which was seized

during the two searches executed in 1987. On 12/14/93, WMFO obtained photocopies of two U.S. District Court search warrants:

1. Search warrant case number 87-0076M-01, was executed on 2/5/87 and 2/6/87 at [redacted] (warehouse), NE, Washington, D.C. The return portion of this warrant was dated 2/6/87 and signed by Detective [redacted] in the presence of Detective [redacted] The following notations were contained on the return portion of the warrant "inventory of person or property taken pursuant to the warrant": b6 b7C

"IBM compt. computer (Omnicron X Turbo Rom);
monitor Xtron;
MacIntosh + computer;
Compaq computer 280;
assorted software and manuals;
Assorted personal papers;
Data fax data transfer machine" There was a notation beside these items "Vault"

"Assorted papers and photos" there was a notation besides these items "kitchen closet"

"assorted papers, photos and documents" there was a notation beside these items "throughout the warehouse."

2. Search warrant case number 87-0077M-01 was executed on 2/5/87 at [redacted] The return portion of this warrant was dated 2/6/87 and signed by Detective [redacted] There was no entry noted in the portion of the return labelled "inventory made in the presence of." The following notations were contained on the return portion of the warrant "inventory of person or property taken pursuant to the warrant":

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2. metrocall data call #928-8071;
3. Cannon electronic calculator, and assorted papers and checks;
4. Maintosh plus computer-printer and Disc;
5. Xtron Computer printer and disc;
6. assorted papers;
7. Telephone answering machine and tapes;
8. Assorted papers and note books;
9. photographs

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REVIEW OF MPD FILE:

♦ On 11/19/93, WMFO obtained a copy of the Washington Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) investigative file concerning FINDERS. A synopsis of that file had been previously provided to Deputy Assistant Attorney General John Keeney (DOJ Attorneys [redacted] and [redacted] were provided a copy of this synopsis on 12/10/93, and they advised that they had already received a copy from DOJ).

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The MPD case file did not contain a listing of items which had been seized during the MPD execution of search warrants on 2/5-6/87 on the two FINDERS properties, [redacted] In addition, there was no indication of the present status of any items seized at these searches, nor a listing of personnel who had been present during the execution of these search warrants. The MPD Detective that had been assigned to this case was Detective [redacted]

REFERENCES TO THE CIA CONTAINED IN THE MPD FILE

♦ The MPD file contains three references to the CIA located in reports dated 9/15/86, 2/19/87 and 4/13/87. There was no documentation in the file of any direction or interference of the MPD's Finders investigation by the CIA.

♦ An MPD report prepared by Detective [redacted] and dated 9/15/86, documents a meeting with an MPD source who [redacted] in General Scientific Corporation, Rockville, Maryland was introduced to the Finders organization [redacted] in Washington, D.C. by [redacted]

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♦ An MPD report prepared by Sergeant J. H. Stitcher (deceased), dated 2/19/87, and captioned "Finders involvement with the Central Intelligence Agency," indicated that on 2/18/87, Detective [redacted] spoke with S/A (believed to be an abbreviation for Special Agent) [redacted] CIA, concerning any contact that members of the Finders may have had with the CIA. [redacted] confirmed that [redacted] Isabelle (deceased at the time of the report), was a CIA employee from 1950 until 1971. [redacted] had asked S/A [redacted] "...if our investigation was treading on anyone's toes out there..." [redacted] had replied "Sort of...He acknowledged that they have had someone working on the case since it first broke on the news media...He also stated [redacted]

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This report stated that the CIA "apparently has a vested interest in [redacted] and/or the group. They have not contacted any of the investigating agencies while they have been working on the case... [redacted] (S) [redacted] there will be no justification for the way the children have been treated, and the matter will be addressed in Family Division, Superior Court."

The report was marked "CONFIDENTIAL" and "DO NOT DISSEMINATE," and was signed by MPD Sergeant (Sgt.) J.H. Stitcher. It is noted that throughout this report, the name [redacted] had been lined out, and the name [redacted] had been penciled in above the lined out name.

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♦ An "overview report" prepared by Detective [redacted] and dated 4/13/87, indicated that [redacted] (S)

U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE DOCUMENTS CONTAINED IN THE MPD FILE

♦ The MPD file contained three documents which appear to be reports prepared by an unidentified U.S. Customs Service (USCS) Special Agent (SA). These documents include a memo dated 2/7/87, a memo dated 4/13/87, and an undated document captioned "Finders/Chronology." The names of the USCS SA and the MPD Detective are not contained in these documents as they were deleted prior to review by the FBI.

♦ The memo dated 2/7/87 and captioned "Customs cooperation/interest in Tallahassee/Washington MPD child abuse investigation is addressed to the Resident Agent in Charge and is from an unidentified USCS SA. The memo indicates that the USCS

duty Agent received a call on 2/5/87 from USCS, Tallahassee, Florida, who had been contacted by the Tallahassee Police Department (TPD) concerning a child abuse investigation. The TPD had contacted USCS to obtain assistance in identifying six children and two adults taken into custody by the TPD. The USCS Agent [redacted] Subsequently, the USCS SA was contacted by an MPD Detective who advised that he was interested in the information concerning the TPD investigation and that he would be conducting "search warrants in the area later in the day..." The Detective advised the USCS SA that the USCS was invited to participate due to the continuing possibility of violations of law enforced by the Customs Service. b7E

The USCS SA accompanied the MPD on the execution of search warrants at [redacted] at which time he was able to observe and access the entire building. [redacted] The memo notes that during the execution of the search warrants by the MPD, the USCS [redacted] b3 b6 b7C

The memo notes that on 2/6/87, the USCS SA had met an MPD Detective at the warehouse on [redacted] He was granted unlimited access to the premises and he was able to observe numerous documents which described explicit sexual conduct between the members of the community known as Finders. The memo reports that the USCS SA saw [redacted] b3 b6 b7C

"...Further examination of the premises disclosed numerous files relating to activities of the organization in different parts of the world..." The memo concluded by noting that it would take three to five days for all the information to be sorted, reviewed and logged by the MPD, and that the USCS SA would maintain contact with the MPD Detective.

♦ The MPD file contained a memo dated 4/13/87, captioned "Finders." The memo, marked "Confidential," was addressed to the Resident Agent in Charge, Washington, D.C. and was from an unidentified USCS SA. This memo reports that on 3/31/87, the USCS SA had contacted an MPD Detective and arranged a meeting to review the documents seized pursuant to two search warrants executed in "January 1987." On 4/2/87, the USCS SA went to meet the MPD Detective who was not available, and the USCS SA

spoke to [redacted] The memo reports that the USCS SA [redacted] been turned over to the State Department for their investigation. The State Department in turn advised MPD that all travel and use of the passports by the holders of the passports was within the law and no action would be taken. This included [redacted] The individual further advised me of circumstances which indicated that the investigation into the activity of the FINDERS had become a CIA internal matter. The MPD report has been classified Secret and was not available for review. I was advised that the FBI had withdrawn from the investigation several weeks prior and that the FBI Foreign Counter Intelligence Division had directed MPD not to advise the FBI Washington Field Office of anything that had transpired. No further information will be available. No further action will be taken."

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♦ The MPD file contained an undated document captioned "Finders/Chronology (see previous material for dates)." This document listed an undated chronology of events, and the first entry is as follows: "Contact of U.S. Customs by Tallahassee PD regarding discovery of unidentified children and adult male "guardians in city park." Subsequent entries report the MPD obtaining search warrants, the execution of those search warrants by the MPD and two USCS SAs, and the seizure of numerous documents to include passports, telexes, computer/electronic media, and correspondence. The chronology included the following entries:

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[redacted] was turned over to State Department Security for investigation, but investigators were advised that travel was 'legitimate' and to terminate further investigation."

"As investigation proceded, CIA made one contact and [redacted] (S)

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- [ ] Facsimile
- [ ] AIRTEL

PRECEDENCE:
- [ ] Immediate
- [ ] Priority
- [X] Routine

CLASSIFICATION:
- [ ] TOP SECRET
- [ ] SECRET
- [ ] CONFIDENTIAL
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